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REMARKS

Claims 1-3 are pending in this application. Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 as being indefinite. Claim 1 is currently amended. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

The specification was subject to objection for informalities regarding references to certain figures. The specification has been amended accordingly. Claim 1 was subject to objection because of the preamble, which has been amended as suggested by the Office. Having amended the application in accordance with the rejections and objections of the Office, applicant requests that a notice of allowance now be issued.

Applicants have made a diligent effort to place the claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Applicants' Attorney at the number listed below so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

For these reasons, and in view of the above amendments, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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